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legate to Convention.

BATTLE TO BEGIN EARLY

G. O. P. Race, Which Is Free and
Open, Attracts Interest Throug-
out United States.

Popular interest in the selection of delegates to the national political conventions of the Democrats and Republicans will, of course, center in the contents of the platform which each party is expected to present. It is not surprising, therefore, that one of the most important aspects of the campaign is the effort to open a race that the general interest is a foregone conclusion.

The battle for delegates will first carry the party leaders to the ice fields of winter melt, not a few lines will be defined clear enough here and there to show just what favorites have secured following.

The District of Columbia's important political year is the convention year. It begins with the party caucuses, which begin among the first. It is not expected that local Democrats will do more than show a rivalry among aspirants known as the "Washington" caucus. It is expected that there will be no activity that will attract attention elsewhere. On the other hand, the Republicans will have a national republican convention in every State, territory and district will attract keen attention everywhere else.

From the Atlantic across the continent, from the lakes to the gulf, from the island possessions of the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico, from every part of the country, the party leaders will be coming, results of party action which there is every assurance among the party leaders to expect will show a decided preference for the organization of the forces and resources of the Republican party for a great contest against the Democratic party. Everywhere the political statisticians will be busy with upturns and properly crediting them.

What delegates the District of Columbia will send to the national convention the Chicago convention has already begun to excite a lively interest in Washington. It was here the National Republican convention met in the early thirties of date and place of the convention, and here began to take on a new significance to the delegates to represent the party's interests.

Early Settlement Destined.

Already names of persons aspiring or urged for party recognition are being received by the district committee. Among those suggested in connection with National Committee for the District, besides the incumbent, Charles H. Hays, are Frank J. Hagan, United States Marshal, and Frank J. Hagan.

Naturally the greatest interest attaches to the delegates to the national convention. It is the understood wish of the party leaders that the District delegates be elected by the district at an early date and by a fair primary election conducted in such a way that there shall be no question as to the fairness of the election. It was discussed for delegates are to be appointed, the following, the understanding being, according to custom, or rather unfettered, party nominees. The delegates shall be represented by one white and one colored delegate: White—Aaron Bradshaw, John W. Plafie, Dr. Harry B. Wardman, John W. Conner, Col. Edward Dr. Charles H. Marshall, Edward Jefferson, Dr. C. M. Chase and Lewis Jefferson.

Among those who are familiar with District politics, as it affects the Republican cause, the most prominent is the veteran local leader, Aaron Bradshaw. He has been in the forefront of Republican affairs here for nearly fifty years, and his ten years seem in no wise to have dimmed his keenness of vision and mentally forcible nature. Mr. Bradshaw probably owes not a little of his prominence to the general esteem in which he is held by the people of Washington, whose consistent and courageous friend he has been in adversity and prosperity. They have not forgotten that he was the first to urge to them the appointment of the first colored policeman, and that he was chiefly instrumental in according to their race one of the delegates to the National Convention which became a cause that has not been departed from. His sacrifices and benefactions to the colored race have been so numerous that he has impaired his standing among the people of the District of his own race as to the integrity of his character and conduct. He has been so long a leader and a benefactor by war veterans for his decision

Appeals in the Interior Department during the Arthur administration, when it resulted in the rescue from the rejected list of pension applications of thousands of widows of soldiers.

Best Upon Selecting Him.

Mr. Bradshaw's friends are bent upon again selecting him, as they have done in the past, as this year's white representative in the convention. They have no trouble convincing the colored Republicans of his worthiness to act wisely for the interests of both races. It may be true that in the old days, when Washington had no colored board of aldermen, who secured the nomination of two colored men—the first—to represent their race in the city council.

The first Republican mayor of that time—1867—was Sayles J. Bowen. Mr. Bowen, more than thirty years after that, paid the price of his political success by the loss of his right arm.

"From 1861 to the present date, no personal sacrifice has been too great for him, at any and all times, to make, if it may mean the success of the party which would be promoted thereby. And he has ever success the party has achieved in this District, for whatever influence it may have had in the past, and in the past, no other man is entitled to equal credit, in my opinion, with Mr. Bradshaw, whose character and high standing in the community, and the ranks of popularity wherever he has been, are appreciated."

The object of this tribute has been known and desired by the District, in 1872, in a close race for the Philadelphia convention which nominated Grant for his second term. Mr. Bradshaw was elected as the manager for the "white-and-black" ticket.

Frederick A. Boswell and A. M. Green, Alexander Gov. H. D. Cook and Alex. R. Green were the delegates. Mr. Green was elected the delegate for each vote.

He has been so active a partisan for his political principles that, whenever he has been asked to have office and the Democratic party, he has always been the first to be removed. There never was any doubt where he stood. And so his friends are determined to support him for white delegate to Chicago next June.

Mr. Bradshaw was one of the delegates to the last Republican convention and was the only one of the delegates on the committee on credentials which had all to do with the decision that constituted the

Arrival of Prosperity's Hailed Throughout Land

From every section of the country and from the representatives of every foreign activity comes evidence of the arrival of prosperity. A compilation of expressions of confidence in the current issue of the Independent includes the following:

Roger W. Babson—World supremacy has been laid at our door.

Sydney Brooks—New York is reeling, crazy drunk with money.

James J. Hill—The Northwest will enjoy good business during the winter.

Paul M. Warburg—With rapid strides we are approaching the position of world bankers.

Federal Reserve Board—Business conditions throughout the country show improvement for November.

Joseph H. Choate—The United States is one of the richest and most hated nations in the world.

Brooklyn Eagle—Postal savings deposits in Brooklyn this year show an increase of nearly 100 per cent.

United Fruit Company—Net earnings of \$7,470,042 in the year ended September 30, against \$2,688,592 in 1914.

Secretary Niemeoller, Associated Retailers, St. Louis—Retail business in St. Louis is better now than ever before.

President Willard—This October was the best month in the 58 years of the Baltimore and Ohio Company's existence.

Rocky Mountain News—"Colorado is prosperous and every workingman in the State is sharing in the general prosperity."

Gitchell, Detroit Board of Commerce—Detroit's business situation is far better than ever before at this time of year.

Providence Journal—Further evidence of the return of normal conditions in general business is given by the report of orders for 24,100 freight cars.

John H. Patterson, Dayton, Ohio—"The approaching era of prosperity will probably exceed anything this country has known."

President Park, Chamber of Commerce, Raleigh, North Carolina—"A great wave of prosperity is sweeping over the country."

Postmaster General Burleson—Postal receipts contain important evidence of healthy and well distributed prosperity in the country.

Secretary Cleveland, Memphis Association of Creditmen—Collections are better

than in several years and there are fewer failures.

President Hanna—For The Northern Pacific in November moved about 20,000 more cars of freight than in the same month a year ago.

U. S. Department of Commerce—American export trade with almost the entire world has grown, only one country, Japan, showing a slight decrease.

Wearfeather, Harrisburg, Pa.—With other shippers ailing in west Texas at around \$2, it is evident that prosperity has come to the cattle men of the State.

Secretary of State—Over 70,000 more automobiles have been registered in my office so far this year than in the same period of 1914.

Secretary Glendinning, Kansas City Commercial Club—The crops and increased outputs of mines and factories have given a boost in revenue to the territory which will make the Christmas shopping season the most prosperous known in many years.

Indiana Daily News—Straws in the wind of returning prosperity are seen in the accumulating reports of increased railroad earnings.

Philadelphia Record—Checks for \$1,265,000,000 passed through the country's clearing houses in the week ended December 4, and there never was a week like this before.

Philadelphia Public Ledger—So great is the demand from firms wanting new vessels that more business is being refused than accepted by the Delaware River ships.

Secretary Megheer, Atlanta Retail Merchants' Association—Atlanta stores have laid in larger stocks than usual and early Christmas trade is justifying these preparations.

Leon Simon, Gulf Coast Director, U. S. Chamber of Commerce—Reports from the Gulf coast show a marked increase in their November business of from 50 to 100 per cent.

Minneapolis Journal—Building in Minneapolis the current year has been without parallel in the speculative spirit, and yet the record will surpass that of any other year in the city's history.

U. S. Department of Agriculture—The nation's principal farm crops this year are worth about \$1,500,000,000, exceeding by more than \$500,000,000 their value in 1914, the previous banner year.

Secretary McAdoo—There is certain to be a Treasury surplus of \$57,644,965 at the close of the present fiscal year, June 30, 1916, and if the duty is retained on sugar and other special war revenue laws is continued, there will be a surplus of \$101,644,965.

THE PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS CONVENES HERE TODAY

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delegation aides, met the special at Baltimore, while at the Union Station William Phillips, Third Assistant Secretary of the American States, General Staff, U. S. A., and Lieut. Rufus King, U. S. N., went to greet the visitors.

Today, taxicabs also formed an important part of the reception committee, and into these the various delegations were bundled, each with his official aide, selected from the ranks of the United States. French-speaking residents of the Capital. These aides are assigned to the delegations, sticking close to his delegation throughout the congress, and to the ostentatious details of Yankee custom.

The delegates found many of their American conferees here, when they arrived; for the United States will be represented at the various sessions by not less than 1,000 delegates and invited guests representing the scientific activities—and science is used in its broadest possible application, involving the study of virtually every human activity except those embraced in the fine arts.

Capital Corners Culture.

The bulk of the American delegates, who arrived from the United States this morning, in time for the opening session.

But while sculpture, painting, music, and sculpture, are to be dealt with in any of the 1,200-odd papers which are to be presented, they will be represented in the persons of presidents of the American Academy of Arts and Educational Institutions in the Western Hemisphere—so that Washington might properly claim any time within the next two weeks to have a virtual "corners culture" as far as the visible supply of that commodity in the New World.

Last night the New Willard was the scene of two informal receptions to the visitors—one for the delegates and guests, and another for the press.

Tonight the first big general reception will be held at the Pan-American Building. Virtually every night during the congress, a reception will be held as an official function, while the large number of unofficial plans for luncheons, teas, dinners and receptions have piled up so fast that the organizers are unable to detail, detailing the linguistic accomplishments and particular interest of all the foreign visitors for the benefit of prospective hosts. But at the large hotel and to secure guests who literally "speak the same language."

Arriving at 9:30 for organization. The subjects to be considered are agriculture, irrigation and forestry.

Section 4, education. Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, chairman, will meet at 9:30 Tuesday morning at the Pan-American Union for organization. The subjects to be considered are public education in democracy, international education, and technical education.

Section 5, engineering. Brig. Gen. W. H. C. Sullivan, chairman, will meet at the Raleigh Hotel Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock for organization. The subjects to be considered are transportation, land routes, civil, electrical engineering, irrigation, and drainage, sanitary engineering, municipal water supply, mechanical engineering and electrical engineering.

Section 8, international law, public law, and jurisprudence. Dr. James Brown Scott, secretary of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, chairman, will meet at the Shoreham Hotel at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning for organization. The subjects to be considered are international law and regulations.

Section 7, mining, metallurgy, economic geology and applied chemistry. Hennen Jennings, former president of the London Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, chairman, will meet at the Raleigh Hotel Tuesday morning for organization. The subjects to be considered include laws and regulations, methods of mining and treating minerals; mining costs, hydrometallurgy, electrometallurgy and fuels.

Section 9, public health and medical science. Major General William C. Gorgas, surgeon general United States Army, chairman, will meet at the New Willard Hotel Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock for organization. The subjects to be considered are public health and vital statistics.

Section 5, transportation, commerce, finance and taxation. Dr. Leo S. Rowe, president of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, chairman, will meet in the small ball room, tenth floor, of the New Willard Hotel, Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock for organization. The subjects to be considered are as indicated in the title of the section.

Dr. Glenn Levin Swiggart, professor of geology at the University of Knoxville, who has been attending to the details of organization for the congress since last March, acting as congress secretary, was suddenly and suddenly broke down yesterday afternoon under the strain and took to his bed. His physician ordered him to give up the congress. But Dr. Swiggart, congress and John Vavasour Noel, publisher of the West Coast Leader, of Lima, Peru, was designated to take up Dr. Swiggart's

noted and persons whose John Halbert and his aides are solicited to see that the distinguished visitors not only keep their social engagements but further the "manana habit" of the Sunny South and get there on time.

List of Sections.

After the general session today, the congress will divide up into nine sections, as follows:

Section 1, anthropology. W. H. Holmes, head curator of the Smithsonian Institution, chairman, will meet at the National Museum for organization at 9:30 Tuesday morning with the International Congress of Americanists.

Section 2, geology. Holmes is an anthropologist, ethnology, and archeology.

Section 2, astronomy, meteorology, and seismology. Dr. Robert S. Woodman, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, chairman; will meet at the Carnegie Institution, Sixteenth and P streets, for organization at 9:30 Tuesday morning. The subjects to be considered are astronomy, geodesy, meteorology, and seismology.

Section 3, conservation of natural resources. Dr. George M. Rommel, of the Department of Agriculture, chairman; will meet at the Raleigh Hotel Tuesday

PROFITS IN CATCHING MOTHS.

Floyd, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. O. Nevada Hiler, of near Nevada, have an avocation providing a daily hour of pleasure and \$500 profit a year. Trees on their farm long have been the habitat of a colony of the catia cala moth.

They catch the moths and butterflies and sell them to the museums, collectors and laboratories for prices ranging from 5 cents to \$1 apiece. Several times they have received orders from abroad.

The Hilers collect moths almost only early on summer nights. They mark trees with white cloths to attract attention and then spray a solution of sugar and salt beer over the foliage. Often they have caught from fifty to 100 specimens in an hour.

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Says Noted Savant.**

Through a policy which seeks to raise public education to the American standards, Argentina is establishing a new basis for her future by educating her statesmen for foreign rather than military determination of public and political questions, according to the Secretary of Congress, the most distinguished educators and savants who reached Washington yesterday to attend the sessions of the Pan-American Scientific Congress.

Dr. Ingenieros is a member of the faculty of the University of Buenos Ayres, widely known as a student with a wide knowledge of subjects with particular reference to mental pathology.

Assimilating Immigration.

"Argentina," declared Dr. Ingenieros last night, "offers every important sociological problem: she is, of course, a melting pot of races, colors, and languages, and consequently cannot be compared to a well-organized industrial country: she has now a population of 8,000,000, and her exports of wool, hides, agricultural and other products aggregate over \$5,000,000 American currency annually.

"One of our most important problem is to form a homogeneous nationality by the process of assimilating the European immigrants. In this way, we have a obvious advantage over all nations of America. We have no negroes, no Argentine Indians, negroes or Asiatics do not exist. Our entire population is white, European descendants.

"To promote the welfare of our country, we have tried to raise our public education to the standard of the American nation. Our former President, Sarmento, was the first to raise Argentine public education, having spent many days of his life studying public education in the United States." We now have about eight hundred public schools, 100 government farms, and 1,900 private institutions, and more than seventy technical high schools. We have, too, five universities, and are now receiving over 5,000 students. Of course, they are entirely free.

"We have still to cope with our economic question, because the predominant factor in the world today is foreign. The natives are owners of the land, but have not industrial or commercial enterprise worth mentioning. The Shona are a tribal type to make it easy to our country, I am sure it would displace any European nation.

"Our entire political policy has been changed in the last five years. Democracy has been established here, and we have not known a revolution in the last twenty-five years. All parties being sure of the security and liberty of the country, the opposition have transferred their fighting activities from revolutionary movements to Parliament.

"As the parties do not stand, it is very probable that the opposition will carry out the next election. Even the Socialist party is increasing.

"Our universities have become influential in preparing the country's future leaders. Our medical men have been trained in universal law; money interests have not yet found their way to the government, and the army does not mix in politics.

"Our international policy is peaceful and does not wish expansion or conquest. Our few international questions have been decided by arbitration."

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BRIDE PAYS ONE-HALF THE WEDDING EXPENSES

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Miss Mabel Jacobson Started in with Sharing All Charges with Future Husband.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 26.—Financial equality between husband and wife was advocated by Miss Mabel Jacobson, designated bride of W. H. Jacobson, acting president of the Housewives' League, and Earl E. Lee, of Victor, Colo., when each laid down \$2.50 for their respective shares of the marriage license a few days ago.

"Come through with \$2.50," said the bridegroom when he learned the price of the matrimonial permit. Miss Jacobson "came through" with her half and the prospective husband initiated a life of salary-splitting by his own contribution.

They had agreed to share the expense of the wedding and started on the 11th. Each owned a half interest in the gold band, which, on the bride's left third finger, announced the knot was tied.

Princes Will Get \$8,000, Dukes \$4,800 and So On Down to Third Class Earls \$1,200.

Peking, Dec. 28.—After the re-establishment of the monarchy, Chinese Emperors will receive \$12,000 gold as an annual allowance, granted because of the ruler's title. This decision has just been reached by the government, and a mandate setting it forth is to be issued by the day.

Princes will each receive \$5,000 gold annually. The allowance for a duke will be \$4,000. Marquises of the first, second and third class will receive \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$2,400, respectively. The allowance of a first class earl will be \$2,400. An earl of the second class will receive \$1,800, and one of the third class will be paid only \$1,300, and so on through the lower ranks.

Greece Asks Questions of Italy.

Athens, Dec. 28.—Local newspapers state that Greece has made a friendly demarche to Italy to ascertain the object of the extension of her military operations in Albania. Italy has given reassurances, but the government has also asked the help of Greece to attain the object in view.

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Find \$10,000 Hidden by Old Woman

Bellefontaine, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Additional gold and currency were found by relatives in the home of Miss Mary Powell, 70 years old, who died a few days ago, when a valuable real estate. A search of her home revealed cash and securities hidden in almost every conceivable place.

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